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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listing, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

**Claim 1 (currently amended):** A compound of formula (1), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof:

wherein,

- a)  $R_a$   $R_b$   $R_c$  and  $R_d$  are independently any group that does not adversely affect the desired properties of the molecule, including hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, aryl, substituted aryl, heteroaryl, substituted heteroaryl, alkaryl, substituted alkaryl, arakyl, or substituted aralkyl; and
- b)  $Z$  is (i) a substituted or unsubstituted carbohydrate, (ii) a substituted or unsubstituted alditol, (iii)  $C1-10$  alkyl or substituted  $C1-10$  alkyl, terminated by sulfonic acid, or (iv)  $C1$  alkyl or substituted  $C1-10$  alkyl, terminated by phosphoric acid, (v) substituted or unsubstituted  $C1-10$  alkyl  $O C (O) C1-10$  alkyl, (vi) straight chained polyhydroxylated  $C2-10$  alkyl; (vii)  $(CR_2)1-6 COOH$ , wherein  $R$  is independently hydrogen, halo, amino, or hydroxy, and wherein at least one of the  $R$  substituted is not hydrogen or (viii)  $(CR_2)1-6 X$  wherein  $X$  is aryl, heteroaryl, or heterocycle, and  $R$  is independently hydrogen, halo, amine, or hydroxy.

**Claim 2 (original):** The compound of claim 1 wherein  $R_a$   $R_b$   $R_c$  and  $R_d$  are *t*-butyl.

**Claim 3- Claim 7 (canceled)**

**Claim 8 (original):** The compound of claim 1 wherein  $Z$  is  $-(CR_2)1-6$  sulfonic acid, and  $R$